

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Minutes
Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Annex

Sheriff Jon Marvel called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Sheriff Jon Marvel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Calling of the roll

Kylissa Miller, Chief Deputy Auditor took roll call. Those present include Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller.

Reorganization

Election of Officers

Motion: To nominate Kathy Miller as President, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tim Curley, **Seconded by** Darrick Scott.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Darrick Scott, Ed Ping, Kathy Miller, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Timothy M. Seprodi, Vigo County Auditor, passed the gavel to Kathy Miller.

Ms. Kathy Miller asked for a motion to elect the President Pro-Tem.

Motion: To nominate Tim Curley as President Pro-Tem, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Darrick Scott, **Seconded by** Mark Bird.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Darrick Scott, Ed Ping, Kathy Miller, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Mr. Darrick Scott presented Mike Morris with a plaque for serving on the Council for the past four years.

Adopt 2009 Council Meeting Schedule

Motion: To hold Council meetings 4:30 p.m., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Mark Bird.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller.

Motion: Adopt schedule as submitted, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tim Curley, **Seconded by** Darrick Scott.

Corrections to the journal of the preceding meeting, if needed

There were none.

Public comment

Mr. Mike Morris, former Councilman, providing opinion regarding the courthouse renovation project and funding. He feels that the project was poorly planned and poorly managed.

Communications from elected officials of the County

Pat Mansard, Vigo County Clerk, is concerned about the historic records that were stored at the Courthouse. These records are accessed daily. With the Courthouse renovations, the records were moved to be stored at 6th and Wabash and are more difficult to access at this location. Commissioner David Decker has been working on a plan to move the records farther away to a building that Ms. Mansard feels is inadequate. In addition, records that are currently being stored in Division 4 and Division 5 Courts were to be moved to the fifth floor of the Courthouse. Ms. Mansard has recently gone to the fifth floor with the Records Director of the Supreme Court, to discover that there are now other items being stored there. This is very frustrating to Ms. Mansard and she pointed out that this is all interconnected with the whole Courthouse renovation project.

Tim Curley welcomed Ms. Kathy Miller as the first woman Vigo County Council President.

Communications from other officials or agencies

EDIT Plan

Commissioner David Decker addressed the Edit Plan. There is a meeting scheduled for later in the week in order to incorporate the Edit Plan into a larger capital improvement plan extending it to a longer range plan.

Jerry Netherlain, Vigo County Engineer, has a list of projects that they would like complete over the next five to ten years. However, at this time they are simply asking for different scenarios from Crowe Chizek Co, LLP in order to be informed of the options and what it will mean for the County.

Councilman Darrick Scott is not for putting the burden of higher interest fees by extending the length of the bond on the taxpayers.

President Kathy Miller sent the issue to the Special Projects Committee for further review as to the financing.

Community Corrections Building Lease

Attorney Michael Wright, asking approval to execute the lease, as it should have been originally. The dollar amount of the lease will not change.

Motion: To suspend rules in order to vote on the issue since it has not gone to committee,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Darrick Scott, **Seconded by** Tim Curley.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller.

Motion: To approve proposed lease for the Community Corrections Bldg. Lease to extend 5 years beyond original lease, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Darrick Scott, **Seconded by** Mark Bird.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller.

Reports from standing committees

There were none.

Ordinances relating to appropriations

Resolution for Re-Allocation of Existing Appropriations 2009-1

Commissioner David Decker.

Jacque Pentell stated that Anthem estimated, based on expected claims liability and fixed costs, just over \$5,000,000 for 2009, which is approximately a 5% increase over last year. Ms. Pentell feels the County is in the position to allow the funds in question to be transferred from Group Insurance.

Motion: The suspension of the rules to allow the council to vote on the transfer. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Darrick Scott, **Seconded by** Tim Curley. **Vote:** Motion Failed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller.

No: Brad Anderson.

Motion: The suspension of the rules to allow the council to vote on the transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Darrick Scott, **Seconded by** Tim Curley. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7). **Yes:** Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller.

According to Timothy Seprodi, Vigo County Auditor, the monies are coming from the employer contribution; it does not affect the employee contribution. The employee portion is being paid into the plan automatically. The proposed transfer would be the employer contribution prior to being put into the plan. It will be transferred within the Commissioner's budget from Group Insurance (001-070-41523) into Courthouse Renovation (001-070-44420) in order to pay the outstanding bills. Furthermore, the funds will not be transferred into the plan unless the appropriation is replenished. This does not affect the employee directly.

Motion: Transfer funds from County General 001-070-41523 Group Insurance to Courthouse Renovation 001-070-44420. Contribution rates for all funds are to be set at 38% or an equivalent amount of the contribution of County General for employee group health benefits. The council will perform due diligence to repay money, **Action:**

Approve, **Moved by** Darrick Scott, **Seconded by** Mark Bird. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7). **Yes:** Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller

Reports from select committees

Resolution 2009-1

Motion: Auditor's request for filling a vacancy. **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Tim Curley, **Seconded by** Darrick Scott.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Darrick Scott, Mark Bird, and Kathy Miller.

Honorary resolutions

There were none.

Resolutions relating to fiscal policies of the Council

There were none.

First reading by summary reference of proposed ordinances and resolutions

President Kathy Miller assigned Request of Council for the February 17, 2009 meeting to committee for further review.

5-Minute Recess

Appointments

- Council Committees:
 - Annual Budget - Darrick Scott, Chair, Ed Ping, and Brad Anderson
 - Budget Adjustments, Transfers, and Appropriations – Mark Bird, Chair, Bill Bryan, and Ed Ping
 - Facilities, Services and Special Projects – Bill Bryan, Chair, Mark Bird, and Tim Curley
 - Personnel – Tim Curley, Chair, Darrick Scott, and Brad Anderson
- Council Administrator – 1 Year, Ryan Oilar
- County Council Attorney – 1 Year, Bob Effner

The remaining appointments will be made at the February 17, 2009 meeting.

- Alcoholic Beverage Commission – 1 Year,
- Convention & Visitors Bureau (2) 1-Dem/1-Rep – 2 Years
- Parks & Recreation Board (Republican) – 4 Years
- Vigo County Board of Zoning Appeals – 4 Years
- E-911 Advisory Board – 1 Year
- Emergency Management Council – 1 Year
- Pre-Disaster Planning Committee – 1 Year
- Local Emergency Planning Commission – 1 Year
- West Central Indiana Economic Development District, Inc. (2) – 1 Year
- Data Processing Board (3) – 1 Year

- Building Inspection – 1 Year
- Vigo County Council Facilities, Services, and Special Projects Committee – Ex-Officio – 1 Year
- Vigo County Fair Board – 1 Year
- Vigo County Council Attorney – 1 Year

Adjournment

Motion: 7:52 pm, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Tim Curley, **Seconded by** Bill Bryan.